



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):

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RELIABLE MULTICAST USING MERGED ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the first action on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

On page 5, line 29, replace "Output port 507" with -- Output port 405--.

On page 5, line 30, replace "nodes N4, N5 and N6" with --nodes N5, N6 and N7--.

**REMARKS** 

No new matter has been added. Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.